

COMMONLY-USED ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

AAA – Area Agency on Aging
AACAP – American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry
AAIDD – American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (formerly American Association on Mental Retardation)
AAP – American Academy of Pediatrics
ACT – Assertive Community Treatment
AD – Autistic Disorder
ADA – Americans with Disabilities Act
ADD – Attention Deficit Disorder
ADHD – Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
AFDC – Aid to Families with Dependent Children
AG – Auxiliary Grant
ALF – Assisted Living Facility
ALOS – Average Length of Stay
ANRED – Anorexia Nervosa and Related Eating Disorders
APA – American Psychiatric Association
APA – American Psychological Association
Arc of Virginia – Association for Retarded Citizens of Virginia
AS – Asperger Syndrome
ASD – Autism Spectrum Disorder
ASFA – Adoption and Safe Families Act of 1997 (U.S.)
ATOD – Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs
BB-BS – Big Brothers-Big Sisters
BH-MCO – Behavioral Health Managed Care Organization
BHA – Behavioral Health Authority
BHO – Behavioral Health Organization
BHRS – Behavioral Health Rehabilitative Services
BIP – Behavior Intervention Plan
BPT – Behavioral Parent Training
CAFAS – Child and Adolescent Functional Assessment Scale
CAM – Complementary and Alternative Medicine
CAST – Childhood Asperger Syndrome Test
CASA – Court Appointed Special Advocate
CBC – Community Based Care
CBT – Cognitive behavioral therapy
CD – Conduct Disorder
CDC – Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CHADD – Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorders
CHINS – Child in Need of Services
CMS – Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
COBRA – Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act
COLA – Cost of Living Adjustment

COY – Commission on Youth (Virginia)
CPMT – Community Policy and Management Team (Virginia)
CPS – Child Protective Services
CSA – Comprehensive Services Act for At Risk Youth and Families (Virginia)
CSAC – Certified Substance Abuse Counselor
CSB – Community Services Board (Virginia)
CSU – Court Services Unit
CSOTP – Certified Sex Offender Treatment Provider
DARE – Drug Abuse Resistance Education
DCSE – Div. of Child Support Enforcement (Virginia)
DCE – Dept. of Correctional Education (Virginia)
DCJS – Dept. of Criminal Justice Services (Virginia)
DD – Developmental Disability or Dually Diagnosed
DHP – Dept. of Health Professions (Virginia)
DJJ – Dept. of Juvenile Justice (Virginia)
DMAS – Dept. of Medical Assistance Services (Virginia)
DMHMRSAS – Dept. of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services (Virginia)
DOC – Dept. of Corrections (Virginia)
DOE – Dept. of Education (Virginia)
DRS – Dept. of Rehabilitative Services (Virginia)
DSM-IV – *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual (Mental Disorders), Fourth Edition*
DSH – Deliberate Self-harm
DSS – Dept. of Social Services (Virginia)
DUI – Driving Under the Influence
EA – Emergency Assistance
EAP – Employee Assistance Program
EBT – Electronic Benefits Transfer
ECT – Electroconvulsive Therapy
EDNOS – Eating disorders not otherwise specified
EPSDT – Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment
ESL – English as a Second Language
FAMIS – Family Access and Medical Insurance Security Plan, Virginia's Title XXI Plan
FAMIS CPU – Application-processing unit for FAMIS (Virginia)
FAPE – Free Appropriate Public Education
FAPT – Family Assessment and Planning Team
FAS – Fetal Alcohol Syndrome
FC – Foster Care
FDA – Food and Drug Administration
FFS – Fee for Service
FFT – Functional Family Therapy
FPL – Federal Poverty Level
FS – Food Stamp Service

COMMONLY USED ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS *(continued)*

GAD – Generalized Anxiety Disorder
GOSAP – Governor’s Office for Substance Abuse Prevention (Virginia)
HCBS – Home and Community Based Services
HIPAA – Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (U.S).
HMO – Health Maintenance Organization
I&R – Information and Referral
ICF – Intermediate Care Facility
ICF/MR – Intermediate Care Facility for Persons with Mental Retardation
ICJ – Interstate Compact on Juveniles
ICM – Intensive Case Manager
IDEA – Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
IEP – Individualized Educational Plan
IMD – Institute for Mental Disease
IOP – Intensive Outpatient Therapy
IPT – Interpersonal Psychotherapy
ISP – Individualized Service Plan
JCC – Juvenile Correctional Centers
JCHC – Joint Commission on Health Care (Virginia)
LCSW – Licensed Clinical Social Worker
LPC – Licensed Professional Counselor
LPR – Lawful Permanent Resident
MCO – Managed Care Organization
MDD – Major Depressive Disorder
MDFT – Multidimensional family therapy
MH – Mental Health
MI – Medically Indigent
MMR – Measles-Mumps-Rubella
MP-NN – Middle Peninsula-Northern Neck
MR – Mental Retardation
MR/MI – Mentally Retarded/Mentally Ill (dual diagnosis)
MSW – Master of Social Work
MST – Multisystemic Therapy
MTFC – Multidimensional Treatment Foster Care
NAMI – National Alliance for the Mentally Ill
NCMHJJ – National Center for Mental Health and Juvenile Justice
NCSBY – National Center on Sexual Behavior of Youth
NIMH – National Institute of Mental Health
OCD – Obsessive-compulsive Disorder
ODD – Oppositional Defiant Disorder
OJJDP – Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention
PACCT – Parents and Children Coping Together
PACT – Program of Assertive Community Treatment
PAIMI – Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Mental Illnesses Act (U.S.)
Part C – Part C of the IDEA (federal funds for early intervention services)
PCP – Primary Care Pediatrician
PCPID – President’s Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities
PDD – Pervasive Developmental Disorder

PDDNOS – Pervasive Developmental Disorder not Otherwise Specified
PEATC – Parent Educational Advocacy Training Center (Virginia)
POS – Point of Service
PPO – Preferred Provider Organization
PTS – Post Traumatic Stress
PTSD – Post Traumatic Stress Disorder
PRWORA – Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (U.S)
RAD – Reactive Attachment Disorder of Infancy or Early Childhood
RCF – Residential Care Facility
RTC – Residential Treatment Center
SAD – Separation Anxiety Disorder
SAMHSA – Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
SCHIP – The State Children’s Health Insurance Program, Title XXI of the Social Security Act, created by the Balanced Budget Act of 1997. (See FAMIS.)
SED – Serious Emotional Disturbance
SI – Self-injury
SI – Sensory Integration
SOLs – Standards of Learning
SSBG – Social Service Block Grant
SSDI – Social Security Disability Insurance
SSI – Supplemental Security Income
SSN – Social Security Number
SSRI – Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors
STD – Sexually Transmitted Disease
SW – Social Worker
TANF – Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
TEACCH – Treatment and Education of Autistic and Related Communication Handicapped Children
TDO – Temporary Detention Order
TMA – Transactional Medical Assistance
VACO – Virginia Association of Counties
VALHSO – Virginia Association of Local Human Services Officials
VDFP – Virginia Department of Fire Programs
VDH – Virginia Dept. of Health
VHCA – Virginia Health Care Association
VIEW – Virginia Initiative for Work not Welfare. Work component of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program.
VIP – Virginia Independence Program
VISSTA – Virginia Institute for Social Services Training Activities (VCU)
VJCCCA – Virginia Juvenile Community Crime Control Act
VOPA – Virginia Office for Protection and Advocacy
VPCA – Virginia Primary Care Association
WIC – Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children.
WTW – Welfare to Work

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